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[on the report of the Second Committee (A/48/725)]

48/190. Dissemination of the principles of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development

The General Assembly,

Convinced that the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development 1/ contains fundamental principles for the achievement of sustainable development, based on a new and equitable global partnership,

Conscious of the fact that dissemination of the principles contained in the Declaration will contribute to increasing public awareness of the need to take a balanced and integrated approach to development and environment questions,

Bearing in mind its resolution 47/191 of 22 December 1992, in particular paragraph 4(a) thereof, in which it recommended that the Commission on Sustainable Development promote the incorporation of the principles of the Declaration in the implementation of Agenda 21, 2/ and taking note ofparagraphs 32 and 42 of chapter I of the report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its first session, 3/

1/ Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992 (A/CONF.151/26/Rev.1 (Vol. I and Vol. I/Corr.1, Vol. II, Vol. III and Vol. III/Corr.1)) (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigenda), vol. I, Resolutions adopted by the Conference, resolution 1, annex I.

2/ Ibid., annex II.

3/ E/1993/25/Add.1.

Recalling that the ministers and other participants at the high-level meeting of the first session of the Commission emphasized the need to promote broad dissemination of the principles of the Declaration at all levels with a view to promoting public awareness regarding sustainable development,

Recalling also chapter 36 of Agenda 21, 2/ entitled "Promoting education, public awareness and training",

1. Urges all Governments to promote widespread dissemination of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development 1/ in the public and private sectors;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the Declaration is widely disseminated by the competent organs and bodies of the United Nations system, and that its principles are incorporated in their programmes and processes, in accordance with paragraphs 32 and 42 of chapter I of the report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its first session. 3/

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